REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 7 and to remove other limitations. Thus, it is believed that claim 1 as amended patentably distinguishes over the cited art. In addition, with respect to a dependent claim, it is indicated that Robertson does not disclose the use of a state machine, and that Pawlowski teaches transferring data based on a transition. Claim 1 includes the subject matter of claim 7, which distinguishes thereover. In general, there is no rationale within the art to use a state machine to switch a clocking signal while transferring data between two different domains.

Therefore, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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